

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
Richmond Division**

**TANES O. TORRES,**

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. **3:24CV639**

**D. WEGKAMP,**

Defendant.

**MEMORANDUM OPINION**

By Memorandum Order entered on November 22, 2024, the Court directed Plaintiff to pay an initial partial filing fee of \$41.17 or state under penalty of perjury that he did not have sufficient assets to pay such a fee within thirty (30) days of the date of entry thereof. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1). Plaintiff has neither paid the initial partial filing fee nor averred that he cannot pay such a fee. Plaintiff, therefore, is not entitled to proceed *in forma pauperis*. Plaintiff's disregard of the Court's directives warrants dismissal of the action. Accordingly, the action will be DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

An appropriate Final Order shall issue.

Date: 14 January 2025  
Richmond, Virginia

<u>/s/</u> John A. Gibney, Jr. Senior United States District Judge
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